

HIGH POINTS



GOOD NEWS FOR THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY

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To Whom much is Given, much is Required

Linn County Animal Rescue (LCAR) is a rescue and sanctuary for neglected /abused horses and hospice dogs. Their goal for the horses is to rehabilitate and care for them with medical and personal attention to both body and mind. They oversee adoptions by approved individuals as well as provide a permanent sanctuary for those not suitable for adoption. Some of the animals participate in a mutually therapeutic program with people in addiction recovery, developmental disabilities, and mental health challenges including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. The hospice dogs are those that will get to spend the rest of their life at the beautiful LCAR facility with care given to their health and wellbeing.

Lofty goals like these take funding. When you work to achieve them you truly find out what 'hard' means. It takes a community to do this work and help these animals. LCAR relies on many businesses and non-profit organizations to make this happen. At LCAR they survive on donations and grants and have always had a challenge of getting enough food to feed the dogs in the hospice program. They have been blessed to brainstorm solutions to challenges they face with Katie Bateman of SafeHaven, Kitty Angel Team Adoption (KATA) and their LCAR volunteers. With Katie's help, SafeHaven has been able to assist them by donating some of their dog food to feed the hospice dogs several times now. A second example of local non-profits working together: LCAR buys senior horse feed (one ton at a time) on pallets for almost \$800. Having lost all but one of their 'Barn Cats' who protected the feed from mice; they were losing hundreds

of dollars to mice damage. Because of non-targeted animals potentially being poisoned they will not use poison hence the Barn Cats. KATA (Kitty Angel Team Adoption) graciously worked with them to re-house two neutered barn cats to help protect the horse feed.

Rich Little from LCAR told us "Not only are we blessed in being supported we in turn get to bless others. We accept donations of hay and this year have receive more than what will be consumed in a year by our horses. Rather than have it go to waste we can act as a source of horse feed for qualified individuals who need help feeding their horse but cannot afford it due to the many challenges our community members are going through".

LCAR wants everyone to know when you support any local non-profits do not be surprised when your support reaches many other non-profit organizations through indirect but surprising ways. Little said, "This is still one of the amazing ways that Points for Profit has worked for LCAR." Little added "We thank the Points for Profit businesses for their support! By leveraging those advertising dollars, you are helping local non-profits in our community." He said also "Thank you to those who save receipts from the sponsor businesses (in Points for Profit). As consumers, your dollars matter, and they can support local or go outside of our community. We chose to support local and our hope is you will to!"

Any questions you have you can direct to their email LinnCountyAnimalRescue@yahoo.com or call them at (541) 258-3422.



Even in these Trying Times,
we were still able to give back
to the community!

The Winners Are...

For 19 years, Points for Profit has given back to local non-profits in the Mid-Willamette Valley. The staff and advisory board at Points for Profit work hard to leverage business sponsor dollars, help local business see a return on their investment, while supporting local non-profit organizations and their endeavors. Each non-profit organization works to be number one by attending monthly business meetings, events, supporting each other and collecting receipts with business sponsors.

Thanks to our 2020 Pinnacle Partners Bi-Mart and CoEnergy Propane, we were able to give back more than \$50,000 in cash, services, and items to our non-profit members!

This year, Points for Profit is proud to recognize Linn County Animal Rescue as the first-place non-profit participant and winner of \$5,000. The funds will be used to help their rescue animals and provide for their care. See their story in this paper for more information about them.

Second place was awarded to Dala's Blue Angels with a \$3,000 cash award. Dala's Blue Angels started in 2011 by a group of men and women from Lebanon. Hosting events such as Walk a Mile for a Child, putting in countless hours hanging blue ribbons, and providing staff for local events they help bring awareness to child abuse and work hard to STOP IT!

Third Place and \$1,500 is awarded to St. Edward's Youth of Lebanon. St. Edward's Youth is a place for youth to grow in knowledge of the Catholic faith. They also develop friendships, receive help and guidance from mentors. Youth and teens help each other through questioning, difficulties and learn to encounter Jesus. There's time to be silly with games, fun events, and laughter plus time to learn about Jesus, the Sacraments, and prayer.

Life-Line Baby Boutique took fourth position and \$1,250 to help with providing diapers and equipment to babies in need. Linn Benton Women for Ag rounded out the top five receiving \$1,000 that is used to assist with scholarships and furthering Ag education in the mid-valley. The rest of the non-profits all receive cash awards paid from the monthly sponsorship revenues. Nineteen local organizations received awards at the August 25th Awards Zoom Meeting.

Points for Profit wants to congratulate everyone! It was an outstanding year with over \$5.6 million dollars spent with Points for Profit businesses in the Linn and Benton Counties. We welcome new non-profit organizations and businesses (both must be referred by someone in the Points for Profit group) as space allows. You can help any participating non-profit organization by saving your receipts and sending them to the Inspirit Marketing office at 250 Broadalbin St SW #230; Albany, Or 97321.

You can find the list of participating businesses and non-profit organizations by visiting www.pointsforprofit.org. Just shop the businesses and give your receipt or copy to your favorite non-profit. For more information call 541-791-2901. Points for Profit...Shop local, serve local and sustain local.